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Electronic SUA Implementation

The NOAA Electronic SUA system is Operational as of April 1st 2005. Since April the system has successfully ingested 30 SUAs. The approval e-mail is incomplete but otherwise the system is operating as intended.

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Level 3 Barbara Banks

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Review Strategies

There are two basic review strategies that will be employed in the review process. First is the normal review for agreements that are renewals, government/environmental applications. In these cases the agreements will be set to 3 levels for approval by the DSD Chief. The second strategy is for non environmental user or application requiring additional review (Ex. Vessel Monitoring). In these cases the SUA will be assigned 4 levels of review and require the OSDPD Directors approval.

Remaining Issues

Currently the approval e-mail only sends notification of approval. In the future the approval e-mail will contain a PDF with the approval box populated or an XML file with complete information. CNES and its subsidiaries can provide their preference to either the PDF or XML.

Sensitive use applications are submitted with a CLS/NACLS agent's name instead of the user. The configuration of the CLS SUA database doesn't allow for two SUA page one to be entered for a program. Until we can resolve this issue CLS/NACLS will submit a fax of the user information page and submit the agent information in their database.

Non environmental application types should be entered into the other field so that they are captured in our database. CLS lumps all their non environmental activities into the law enforcement categories under a unique id (LWE). There is no check box for LWE so the application shows a blank on the SUA review. We've hard coded LWE into the data base so it will be captured. NOAA prefers if the non environmental sensitive use categories (law enforcement, national defense, homeland security, and humanitarian) are entered in the other field and not made unique application types.